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**For** : ***SPEECH SYNTHESIZING METHOD AND APPARATUS USING PROSODY CONTROL (as amended)***

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION****(37 C.F.R. § 1.111)****RECEIVED**

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This Amendment and Request for Reconsideration is submitted in response to an outstanding Office Action dated December 1, 2003.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

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